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American Civil Liberties Union of the Nation's Capital
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Washington, DC 20008

Dear Mr. Spitzer:

I refer to our letter dated December 16, 2016, regarding the release of certain Department of State records under the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") 5 U.S.C. § 552.

The review of 20 documents responsive to your request has been completed and we have determined that 20 may be released with excisions. All released material is enclosed.

An enclosure explains Freedom of Information Act exemptions and other grounds for withholding material. Where we have made excisions, the applicable exemptions are marked on each document. In some cases, two or more exemptions may apply to the same document. All non-exempt material that is reasonably segregable from the exempt material has been released.

We will keep you informed as your case progresses. If you have any questions, please contact DOJ Trial Attorney Ryan Parker at 202-514-4336 or ryan.parker@usdoj.gov.

Sincerely,

Eric F. Stein for

Eric F. Stein, Director
Office of Information Programs and Services

Enclosures: As stated.

The Freedom of Information Act (5 USC 552)

FOIA Exemptions

- (b)(1) Information specifically authorized by an executive order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy. Executive Order 13526 includes the following classification categories:

- 1.4(a) Military plans, systems, or operations
- 1.4(b) Foreign government information
- 1.4(c) Intelligence activities, sources or methods, or cryptology
- 1.4(d) Foreign relations or foreign activities of the US, including confidential sources
- 1.4(e) Scientific, technological, or economic matters relating to national security, including defense against transnational terrorism
- 1.4(f) U.S. Government programs for safeguarding nuclear materials or facilities
- 1.4(g) Vulnerabilities or capabilities of systems, installations, infrastructures, projects, plans, or protection services relating to US national security; including defense against transnational terrorism
- 1.4(h) Weapons of mass destruction

- (b)(2) Related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency

- (b)(3) Specifically exempted from disclosure by statute (other than 5 USC 552), for example:

| | |
|----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| ARMSEXP | Arms Export Control Act, 50a USC 2411(c) |
| CIA PERS/ORG | Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949, 50 USC 403(g) |
| EXPORT CONTROL | Export Administration Act of 1979, 50 USC App. Sec. 2411(o) |
| FS ACT | Foreign Service Act of 1980, 22 USC 4004 |
| INA | Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 USC 1202(f), Sec. 222(f) |
| IRAN | Iran Claims Settlement Act, Public Law 99-99, Sec. 505 |

- (b)(4) Trade secrets and confidential commercial or financial information

- (b)(5) Interagency or intra-agency communications forming part of the deliberative process, attorney-client privilege, or attorney work product

- (b)(6) Personal privacy information

- (b)(7) Law enforcement information whose disclosure would:

- (A) interfere with enforcement proceedings
- (B) deprive a person of a fair trial
- (C) constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy
- (D) disclose confidential sources
- (E) disclose investigation techniques
- (F) endanger life or physical safety of an individual

- (b)(8) Prepared by or for a government agency regulating or supervising financial institutions

- (b)(9) Geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells

Other Grounds for Withholding

NR Material not responsive to a FOIA request excised with the agreement of the requester

From: PA Clearances Mailbox
To: Gill, Ruchi Gugliani
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: FW: Update on Clearance Request
Date: Friday, January 24, 2014 6:09:37 PM

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Happy customer!

From: [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]@state.gov]
Sent: Friday, January 24, 2014 6:10 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: Re: Update on Clearance Request

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Thank YOU. I really appreciate it.

From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:paclearances@state.gov]
Sent: Friday, January 24, 2014 06:07 PM Eastern Standard Time
To: [redacted]
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Update on Clearance Request

Mr. [redacted] – To close this e-mail loop, PA Clearances Database just sent you this notification:

The "A" Bureau notified PA that, "CIA advised that they have no objection to [redacted] publication of "Miles of Memory." However, should [redacted] add or change the manuscript, the CIA will need to review those changes. From L/Ethics Amanda Wall: "Haiti office informed us that they did not believe this related in significant part to any ongoing or announced programs, policies, or operations of the Department [redacted]"

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[redacted] With that, PA/FO V.Fowler clears.

Thank you for your patience,

PA Clearances

From: [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]@state.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, December 31, 2013 7:53 AM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Cc: Gill, Ruchi Gugliani; PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Update on Clearance Request

Thank you.

This email is UNCLASSIFIED.

From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:pa_clearances@state.gov]
Sent: Monday, December 30, 2013 3:03 PM
To: [redacted]
Cc: Gill, Ruchi Gugliani; PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Update on Clearance Request

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Mr. [redacted]

Given the length of your manuscript, [redacted] and the interruption caused by the holidays, the review of your book has taken some time. As you know, and as stated in the FAM, the purpose of this review "is to ensure that classified material and other material protected by law are not improperly disclosed, and that the views of employees are not improperly attributed to the U.S. Government." We are doing our best to get you a response as soon as possible and appreciate your patience. Again, if you have any pressing deadlines, please let us know so we can continue to urge those reviewers who have not yet responded to do so promptly.

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Thank you,
PA Clearances

From: [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]@state.gov]
Sent: Monday, December 30, 2013 11:52 AM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Cc: Gill, Ruchi Gugliani; PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Update on Clearance Request

Thank you.

I believe the FAM speaks of 30 days as an outer limit?

This email is UNCLASSIFIED.

From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:pa_clearances@state.gov]
Sent: Monday, December 30, 2013 11:50 AM
To: [redacted]
Cc: Gill, Ruchi Gugliani; PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Update on Clearance Request

Mr. [redacted]

Thank you for your e-mail. We are still working on obtaining clearances within the Department. We will notify you once all equities have responded. Unfortunately, we are unable to provide a more precise timetable at this time. If you have any pressing deadlines for this work, please let us know.

Thank you,
PA Clearances

From: [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]@state.gov]
Sent: Monday, December 30, 2013 11:22 AM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Cc: Gill, Ruchi Gugliani
Subject: Update on Clearance Request

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Dear PA Clearances,

I am writing to check on progress for a clearance on my manuscript "Miles of Memory."

Could you confirm that this process is underway and give me a sense when it might be completed?

Thanks,



This email is UNCLASSIFIED.

From: PA Clearances Mailbox
To: INR Special Assistants; (U) Posey, Tameka S
Cc: PA Special Assistants; Rebholz, Jason P; PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Request for clearance
Date: Wednesday, May 28, 2014 11:53:43 AM

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PA/PL Lois Herrmann clears the highlighted portions. Thank you

From: INR Special Assistants [mailto:INRspecialAssistants@state.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, May 28, 2014 11:26 AM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox; (U) Posey, Tameka S (PACE)
Cc: PA Special Assistants; Rebholz, Jason P; PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Request for clearance

INR has no issues with the text.

Thanks

[REDACTED]

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From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:paclearances@state.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, May 28, 2014 11:25 AM
To: INR Special Assistants; (U) Posey, Tameka S (PACE)
Cc: PA Special Assistants; INR Special Assistants; Rebholz, Jason P; PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Request for clearance

To clarify – Who clears for INR?

From: INR Special Assistants [mailto:INRspecialAssistants@state.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 27, 2014 2:32 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox; (U) Posey, Tameka S (PACE)
Cc: PA Special Assistants; INR Special Assistants; Rebholz, Jason P
Subject: FW: Request for clearance

PA Clearances and Tameka – As requested, we have highlighted the portions of this interview attributable to [REDACTED] We are aware that there is another State Department employee referenced in the article, but are not seeking clearance on that portion, only on the INR-related areas.

We appreciate your assistance, please let us know if there are any questions,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
INR Special Assistant

INRSpecialAssistants@state.gov

Open: [REDACTED] / [REDACTED]

NSTS: [REDACTED]

From: INR Special Assistants
Sent: Friday, May 16, 2014 9:40 AM
To: PA Special Assistants
Cc: INR Special Assistants
Subject: FW: Request for clearance

Good morning – it was a pleasure speaking with you on the phone this morning. As we discussed, INR has sent clearance requests to the PA Clearances email over the last two weeks – all with no response. By far the most urgent is the one we sent first on May 7. Since then, we sent several follow-up emails but have still received no response. Yesterday my colleague sent an email to the officer who cleared our last request.

We are hoping you can help since the author would very much like to forward the article for publication this week, and is quite anxious.

We certainly appreciate any assistance you can provide,
Warm regards,

[Redacted]

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[Redacted]

INR Special Assistant

INRSpecialAssistants@state.gov

Open: [Redacted]

NSTS: [Redacted]

From: INR Special Assistants
Sent: Thursday, May 15, 2014 2:21 PM
To: Herrmann, Lois M; Herrmann, Lois M (PACE)
Cc: INR Special Assistants
Subject: FW: Request for clearance

Dear Lois,

We sent the below request to the PA clearances email (after being instructed that the normal PA clearance database was down) but have not received a response despite several requests. We don't seek PA clearance frequently in INR but I'm hoping you might be able to direct us appropriately for how we might be able to follow-up – sending to you only because you cleared our last clearance

request to PA! Apologies if you aren't at all the right person.

The author is planning to forward the article for possible publication this week, so we'd like PA's clearance for Mr. [REDACTED] interview as soon as possible.

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Thank you,

[REDACTED]

This email is UNCLASSIFIED.

From: INR Special Assistants
Sent: Wednesday, May 07, 2014 11:04 AM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Cc: INR Special Assistants; Rebholz, Jason P
Subject: Request for clearance

Dear PA Colleagues,

I'm sending this interview clearance request via email as the PA clearances database does not appear to be working.

[REDACTED] a DOD Lt. Colonel, spoke in 2012 with [REDACTED] INR's Director of Analytic Effectiveness, for background information to help him write an internal thesis for the National Intelligence University. [REDACTED] would now like to use some of this information for an article he will try to have published in an academic journal. I've attached his draft.

Given the change from an internal thesis to an external publication, it seems the information [REDACTED] provided should now be considered an interview (and therefore require PA clearance)?

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

INR Special Assistant

[REDACTED]@state.gov

x [REDACTED]

This email is UNCLASSIFIED.

From: Fowler, Valerie C.
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: Re: [REDACTED] (CSIS) article on America's Trade Agenda -- REVISED 6/3/2014
Date: Wednesday, June 04, 2014 7:48:13 PM

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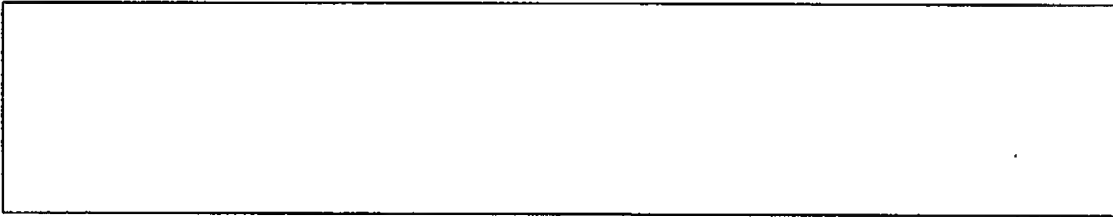
I am pleased to inform you that your (revised) article has been fully cleared. Thanks for your patience during this process.

Best regards, Val

From: [REDACTED] (mailto:[REDACTED])
Sent: Tuesday, June 03, 2014 04:18 PM
To: Fowler, Valerie C.
Subject: RE: [REDACTED] (CSIS) article on America's Trade Agenda -- REVISED 6/3/2014

Hello Val,

Here are revised versions of my article - in "Track Changes" and "Clean" formats.



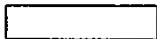
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Please take a look at this and let me know what you think. If you believe it is ready for circulation, please send it out. I really appreciate your efforts to expedite this.

Regards,



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Visiting State Department Fellow,
Europe Program
Center for Strategic and International Studies
1616 Rhode Island Ave NW
Washington, DC 20036



Tel: [REDACTED]
Cell: [REDACTED]

From: Fowler, Valerie C (mailto:FowlerVC@state.gov)
Sent: Monday, June 02, 2014 5:45 PM
To: [REDACTED]

Subject: RE: [REDACTED] CSIS) article on America's Trade Agenda

It is always nice to find a win-win solution. I'll be ready to engage whenever you have a draft for me to circulate.

Best, Val

This email is UNCLASSIFIED.

From: [REDACTED] (mailto:[REDACTED])
Sent: Monday, June 02, 2014 5:44 PM
To: Fowler, Valerie C
Subject: RE: [REDACTED] CSIS) article on America's Trade Agenda

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OK, Val, sounds like a plan. I will start working on it tomorrow and get it back to you as soon as possible.

Thank you for taking so much of your time on this, and for offering to expedite the article.

Regards,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

Tel.: [REDACTED]

Cell: [REDACTED]

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From: Fowler, Valerie C (mailto:FowlerVC@state.gov)
Sent: Monday, June 02, 2014 5:33 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: [REDACTED] CSIS) article on America's Trade Agenda

Thanks, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[Redacted]

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Best, Val

This email is UNCLASSIFIED.

From: [Redacted] ([mailto:[Redacted]@csis.org])
Sent: Monday, June 02, 2014 5:22 PM
To: Fowler, Valerie C
Subject: RE: [Redacted] CSIS) article on America's Trade Agenda

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Val;

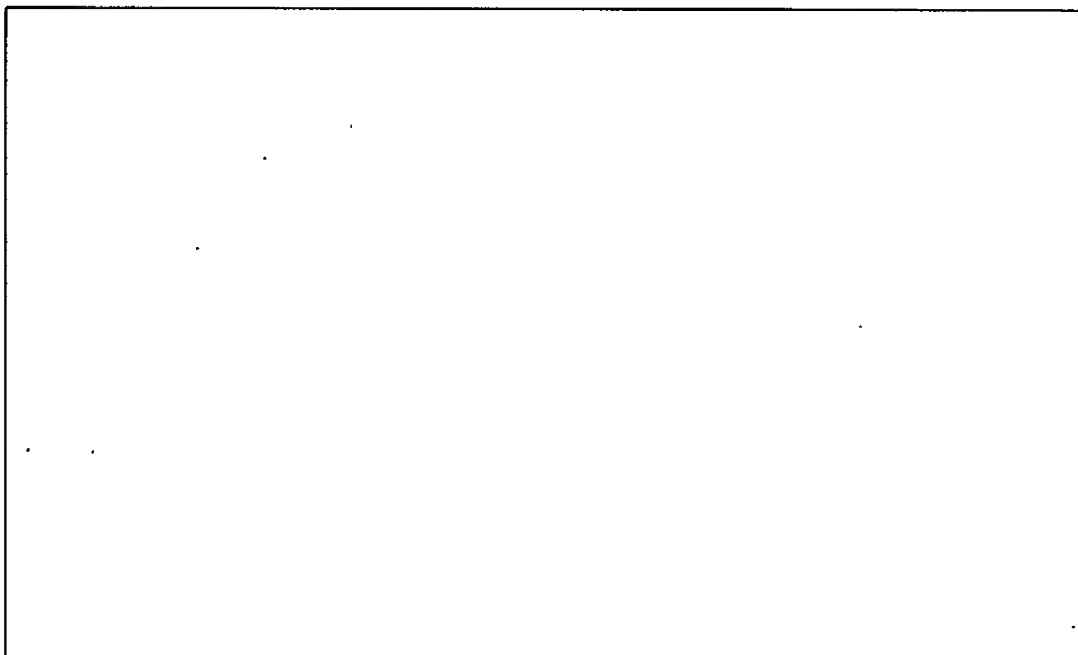
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Please let me know what you think. (I realize of course that "in the end, it is up to me to decide"!)

Thanks,

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[Redacted]

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Washington, DC 20036

[Redacted]

Tel: [Redacted]
Cell: [Redacted]

From: Fowler, Valerie C [mailto:FowlerVC@state.gov]
Sent: Monday, June 02, 2014 1:43 PM
To: [Redacted]
Subject: [Redacted] (CSIS) article on America's Trade Agenda

[Redacted]

Here is the article with the requested edits. Please let me know your thoughts.

With Best Regards,
Val

Valerie Crites Fowler
Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary
Bureau of Public Affairs
U.S. Department of State
FowlerVC@state.gov
(w) 202 647-7192

From: [redacted] **mailto:** [redacted]
Sent: Thursday, May 08, 2014 2:26 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: Difficulty submitting article at your website

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Dear PA Clearances,

I tried to submit the attached article for clearance to your website, but I can't get it to open on Internet Explorer.

Is there a new address for the website that I should be using, or alternatively, could I submit it to you via this email?

Thanks,

[redacted]

[redacted]

Visiting State Department Fellow,
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1616 Rhode Island Ave NW
Washington, DC 20036

[redacted]

Tel.: [redacted]
Cell: [redacted]

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From: PA Clearances Mailbox
To: Stephen
Cc: [redacted] PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Clearance Request For Publication of Article on Iraq by Amb. [redacted]
Date: Thursday, July 31, 2014 4:51:26 PM

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Dear Ambassador [redacted]

The Department has completed the review of your request pursuant to 3 FAM 4170 and determined that you may proceed, provided that you include the disclaimer required for personal capacity public communications (see 3 FAM 4172.1-4), that the views expressed are your own and not necessarily those of the Department of State of the U.S. Government. Please let us know if you have any questions.

Thank you,
PA Clearances

From: [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: Wednesday, July 30, 2014 8:37 PM
To: Laine, Andrew J (PACE)
Cc: [redacted] G; PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Clearance Request For Publication of Article on Iraq by Amb. [redacted]

Mr. Laine,

Attached is a slightly reworked, latest version of the paper I'm seeking clearance for.

Would it be possible for me to share it privately now with certain individuals outside the Department, with the proviso that it not be quoted?

If not, could you give me an idea of how long the permission process might last.

thank you,

[redacted]

From: [redacted]
To: laineaj2@state.gov
Cc: [redacted]@state.gov; [redacted] paclearances@state.gov
Subject: RE: Clearance Request For Publication of Article on Iraq by Amb. [redacted]
Date: Mon, 28 Jul 2014 19:48:37 -0400

Dear Mr. Laine,

Thank you for your email. I apologize for the delay in responding to you -- [REDACTED]

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I've attached the most recent version of my article on Iraq. To answer your questions:

name [REDACTED]

title: Ambassador

position: HR/DIR/NDU/ES (professor of national security studies at the Eisenhower School, National Defense University. this post ends 8/1/14; afterwards I enter the Job Search course at FSI and [REDACTED])

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I'm writing in a private capacity.

I am not seeking remuneration. (If offered, I would consult with L/Ethics and follow their guidance.)

I would use a disclaimer; I'm open to PA's views, but would say something like "these are my personal views, and do not necessarily reflect those of the U.S. Department of State or the U.S. government."

No one has cleared this; I have shared it with the NEA front office, but have not received a response.

I would submit the article broadly to print and web-based media that have an interest in Iraq; this would include the Foreign Service Journal. I would also want to share it with persons outside the USG who follow Iraq and counterinsurgency and conflict resolution.

My duties as a professor at NDU included researching USG lessons from armed conflicts. That said, the drafting of this article was done outside work.

Thank you again for your assistance. If you have any other questions, or guidance, please send me an email.

regards,

[REDACTED]

From: LaineAJ2@state.gov

To: [redacted]
CC: [redacted]@state.gov; [redacted]
paclearances@state.gov
Date: Mon, 21 Jul 2014 10:09:53 -0400
Subject: RE: Clearance Request For Publication of Article on Iraq by Amb. [redacted]

Dear Ambassador [redacted]

Thank you for your submission and we will be happy to assist you in obtaining appropriate clearances for your article.

Please provide the information below and return it to us and we will begin the clearance process.

Publication Request Form

Author's Name:

Author's Title:

Bureau/Office:

Is the author writing in a private or official capacity?

Will the author receive remuneration outside of his/her State Department salary for the article? Please Note L/Ethics will need to clear if the author will receive remuneration:

Does the author intend to use a disclaimer? If so, how will the disclaimer read?

Who else has cleared (your supervisor, others within the Department of State)?

Where does the author intend to submit the article/manuscript for publication?

Does the paper relate in any way to the author's current duties or duties he/she had over the last year?

Additional Comments by Author:

Thank you, and please let us know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

PA Clearances

From: Stephen [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: Thursday, July 17, 2014 11:06 AM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Cc: [redacted]; [redacted]
Subject: Clearance Request For Publication of Article on Iraq by Amb. [redacted]

Good morning,

I would like to be able to circulate for possible publication the attached article on Iraq and the lessons learned from the 2007 Anbar Awakening. I shared an earlier and shorter version

of it with the NEA front office.

While I am currently assigned to the Eisenhower School of the National Defense University, I will be on leave and at FSI for most of the next several weeks, so I request you use this personal email address to contact me.

Please let me know what your procedures and anticipated timelines are.

Thank you,

[Redacted Signature]

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From: PA Clearances Mailbox
To: Lash, Fred C
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Book by [REDACTED]
Date: Thursday, July 25, 2013 3:51:56 PM
Attachments: RE: [REDACTED] Memoirs Manuscript.msg
 Re: [REDACTED] Memoirs Manuscript.msg

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Memoirs Manuscript "Gentlemen Do Not Read Each Other's Mail! The True Story of Spies, Lies, Leaks and Deceits, Inside the U.S. State Department", written by DS contractor (and former DS Special Agent) [REDACTED] was cleared by PA/HO A. Garret with no changes on June 27, 2012. Since the manuscript contained classified information, PA did not keep a copy of the original manuscript. After review, DS/EX/MGT/FOIA [REDACTED] made arrangements to have the manuscript picked up from the PA Bureau. FOIA had to formally notify him that the manuscript was fully cleared, with recommended excisions.

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Per Robert Downen, on June 20, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary [REDACTED] cleared the manuscript, following review and clearance by DS/DSS/DO. Emails are attached fysa.

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From: Lash, Fred C
Sent: Thursday, July 25, 2013 02:24 PM
To: Young, Rainy (Urenia) (PACE); Faillace, Karlygash B
Subject: Book by [REDACTED]

Rainy/Karlygash....is it possible (and practical) to run a search on a book by a former DS employee named [REDACTED] that might have been cleared by PA Clearances?...I have no record of it during the 2010-2013 period, but it may have gone to you all w/o the entire DS review....can you check it out for me?....thanks, Fred

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From: Miller, Lisa M (PACE) on behalf of PA Clearances Mailbox
 To:
 Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
 Subject: FW: Article for Islam OnLine on Baghdad bombings
 Date: Friday, December 11, 2009 3:10:52 PM
 Attachments: Archived
 Importance: High

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PA made some edits.

The Bureau of Public Affairs (PA) has examined this document and has found that it does not violate the PA-specific guidelines for employees stated in 3 FAM 4170 -- related to review of materials of official concern prepared in an employee's private capacity -- provided the disclaimer attached below is included.

"The views expressed in this article are those of the author, and do not necessarily reflect those of the U.S. Department of State or the U.S. Government."

From: [mailto:]
 Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2009 2:58 PM
 To: Fleming, John T; Sullivan, John L; Pelton, Erin; PA Clearances Mailbox
 Subject: Article for Islam OnLine on Baghdad bombings
 Importance: High

Please review the attached article for publication on Islam Online. The web publisher would like to have the article by COB tomorrow, as it is a time-sensitive subject. I apologize for the tight turn-around but only got the request for the article 2 days ago and have been scratching out this piece as fast as I can.

Thanks and regards,

International Affairs Fellow
 Council on Foreign Relations
 Tel:
 E-mail:

From: Fleming, John T [mailto:FlemingJT2@state.gov]
 Sent: Wednesday, December 09, 2009 2:48 PM
 To: ; Sullivan, John L; Pelton, Erin
 Subject: Writing about Iraq

We'll clear your article if you are writing in your official capacity (using your title and position) on USG policy positions. In this case we'll fact-check and ensure your comments comply with current policy positions.

If, however, you are writing as a private citizen (no title/position), you'll need the 'the author's comments do not represent the position of the USG' caveat. In this case, we review for operational security considerations only (classified or sensitive info).

You should also check with L/Ethics for advice on rules concerning remuneration (if you are accepting compensation for the article).

John Fleming • Press Officer • Bureau of Near Eastern Affairs (Iraq) • US Department of State
2201 C St, NW Rm 2234, Washington, DC 20520 | ☎: 202.647.2658 | ✉: FlemingJ2@state.gov

From: [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: Wednesday, December 09, 2009 2:38 PM
To: Sullivan, John L; Fleming, John T
Subject: RE: Writing about Iraq

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Thanks, I will do my best. Do you think it will be possible to get clearance if I send you the article tomorrow?

From: Sullivan, John L [mailto:SullivanJL@state.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, December 09, 2009 12:47 PM
To: Fleming, John T; [redacted]
Subject: RE: Writing about Iraq

I think it would be great if you could contribute an article.

From: Fleming, John T
Sent: Wednesday, December 09, 2009 10:57 AM
To: [redacted]
Cc: Sullivan, John L
Subject: FW: Writing about Iraq

[redacted]

Please refer any questions regarding middle east (pan Arabic) media to either me or John Sullivan in the NEA press office—we'll be glad to provide you with timely and up-to-date information on your media concerns.

Lisa Miller in PACE handles US/western media only, and refers calls (such as yours) to us, so we can perhaps save you some time.

[redacted]

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Here's the wiki info on them.

IslamOnline.net is an Islamic website that describes its mission as to create a unique, global Islamic website on the Internet providing services to Muslims and non-Muslims in several languages. Its motto is "credibility and distinction."^[3] Sunni Muslim scholar Yusuf al-Qaradawi founded the site, supervises it,^[4] and co-owns it with the Al-Balagh Charity Society in Doha, Qatar.^[5]

According to Alexa Internet, IslamOnline.net is one of the two most visited Islam-related

websites on the Internet.^[6] According to Alexa Traffic Rank in September 2007 most hits came from Egypt (21.4%), followed by the Palestinian Territories (11%), the United Arab Emirates (10.3%), Saudi Arabia (8.9%), Morocco (8.7%), USA (2.1%) and Germany and the UK 0.9%.^[2]

It has forums on various issues (Politics, New Muslims, Entertainment, *etc.*) and other interactive venues, such as the "Ask the Scholar" section, where visitors can post a question regarding Islam and get response within days.^[2] The Arabic and English sections are tailored to appeal to their respective audiences.^[2] In just four years (2000-2003), around 306,691 materials have been published, 233,223 of which in Arabic and 73,486 in English.^[8]

John Fleming • Press Officer • Bureau of Near Eastern Affairs (Iraq) • US Department of State
2201 C St, NW Rm 2234, Washington, DC 20520 | ☎: 202.647.2658 | ✉: FlemingJ2@state.gov

From: Miller, Lisa M (PACE) [<mailto:MillerLM@state.gov>] **On Behalf Of** PA Clearances Mailbox
Sent: Wednesday, December 09, 2009 9:50 AM
To: Fleming, John T
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox; PA RMO Group
Subject: FW: Writing about Iraq

John: See request below – another from [redacted] on detail from DOS to CFR. Thanks.

From: [redacted] [[mailto:\[redacted\]](mailto:[redacted])]
Sent: Tuesday, December 08, 2009 9:59 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: FW: Writing about Iraq

I just got this request in, and was wondering if you had any information on IslamOnline. I tried the link but could not connect.

From: Dina Abdel-Mageed ([redacted])
Sent: Tuesday, December 08, 2009 8:50 PM
To: [redacted]
Subject: Writing about Iraq

Dear [redacted]

I hope this email finds you well. I'm Dina Abdel-Mageed, an editor at the Politics in Depth section of IslamOnline.net (www.islamonline.net). Ours is one of the world's largest Islamic websites, with an average of 12 million page views per month.

I'm responsible for the coverage of Iraq, and I wonder if you can write a piece for us about yesterday's attacks and the surge in violence in Iraq. The average length of our articles is 1500-2000, and we pay between \$200 and \$250 for an article.

I look forward to your kind response. Your contribution will greatly enrich our coverage.

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Kind regards,
Dina

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"All that is gold does not glitter; not all those that wander are lost," J.R.R. Tolkien

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From: PA Clearances Mailbox
 To: [REDACTED]
 Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
 Subject: RE: Clearance Request
 Date: Thursday, May 29, 2014 11:10:34 AM
 Attachments: BITs for Africa (3).docx

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PA, AF, and EB Bureau have examined this document and found that it does not violate the PA-specific guidelines for employees stated in 3 FAM 4170 -- related to review of materials of official concern prepared in an employee's private capacity -- provided the disclaimer is included. Tracked change comments and edits proposed by AF/EPS Economic Officer Nicole Johnson and Director of EB/IFD Michael Tracton are provided in the attached.

Thank you,
 PA Clearances

PA/FO M. Carrington ok
 AF/PDPA L Cowher ok
 AF/EPS N. Johnson ok
 EB/IFD M Tracton ok

From: [REDACTED] (mailto:[REDACTED])
 Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2014 8:24 AM
 To: PA Clearances Mailbox
 Subject: RE: Clearance Request

Dear PA Colleagues:

Please advise status. I have received and accepted substantive edits from EB. Also, editors are querying when they can publish.

Thanks for your help, [REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
 Sent: Tuesday, May 27, 2014 10:44 AM
 To: PA Clearances Mailbox
 Subject: RE: Clearance Request

Thanks. Please see responses below.

From: PA Clearances Mailbox (mailto:paclearances@state.gov)
 Sent: Tuesday, May 27, 2014 10:37 AM
 To: [REDACTED]
 Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
 Subject: RE: Clearance Request

Please fill out the form below.

Publication Request Form

Author's Name:

Author's Title: State Department Visiting Fellow

Bureau/Office: Center for Strategic and International Studies

Is the author writing in a private or official capacity? Private

Will the author receive remuneration outside of his/her State Department salary for the article? Please Note L/Ethics will need to clear if the author will receive remuneration: No

Does the author intend to use a disclaimer? If so, how will the disclaimer read? *The views expressed herein are those of the authors and do not necessarily reflect the views of the U.S. Department of State or the U.S. government.*

Who else has cleared (your supervisor, others within the Department of State)? CSIS editor has cleared.

Where does the author intend to submit the article/manuscript for publication? CSIS and/or U.S. Chamber of Commerce website(s).

Does the paper relate in any way to the author's current duties or duties he/she had over the last year? No

Additional Comments by Author: We would like to publish this week. Thanks.

From: [mailto:]

Sent: Monday, May 26, 2014 10:14 PM

To: PA Clearances Mailbox

Subject: Clearance Request

Dear PA Colleagues:

Please find attached a draft article for publication for clearance. The piece will either be published on the CSIS website or the U.S. Chamber of Commerce website. We are looking to publish this nlt than 5/30. We appreciate your achieving clearance as soon as possible.

Your assistance is much appreciated.

Best Regards,

State Department Visiting Fellow
Center for Strategic and International Studies
1616 Rhode Island Ave, Nw
Washington, DC 20006

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Tel: [REDACTED]

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From: Fogarty, Daniel J
 To: [redacted]; Thompson, Rebecca B (PACE)
 Cc: [redacted]; Fowler, Valerie C; PA Clearances Mailbox; Gill, Ruchi Gugliani; Lavallee, Michael P; McKeeby, David I
 Subject: Re: Amb. [redacted] Article to be Published in Foreign Policy
 Date: Friday, May 23, 2014 11:31:59 PM

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Hi Ambassador [redacted]

NEA/Press here. David Kenner mentioned he was awaiting final word from you. We just checked in with him on whether it would appear online or in an upcoming magazine issue. We're told the former.

Thanks,
 Dan

From: [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]]
 Sent: Friday, May 23, 2014 10:07 PM
 To: Thompson, Rebecca B (PACE)
 Cc: [redacted] Fowler, Valerie C; PA Clearances Mailbox; Gill, Ruchi Gugliani; Fogarty, Daniel J; Lavallee, Michael P; McKeeby, David I
 Subject: Re: Amb. [redacted] Article to be Published in Foreign Policy

Thank you so much and sorry for all the trouble on the eve of a holiday weekend.

If I can just ask for one point of clarification: NEA was in touch with FP to hold the article. Will they also now tell FP it's cleared? I don't expect anything to happen over the weekend so I don't think the question is urgent.

Thanks again very much.

On Friday, May 23, 2014, Thompson, Rebecca B (PACE)
 <ThompsonRB2@state.gov> wrote:

Mme. Ambassador,

L offices -- L/AN and L/UNA -- have now reviewed your article and raised no objections. NEA and PA Press and Front Offices also know about it and have raised no objections.

So, you have PA's clearance.

Many thanks for your patience and understanding.

With best regards and wishes for a pleasant holiday weekend,

Rebecca

From: Thompson, Rebecca B (PACE)
 Sent: Thursday, May 22, 2014 07:20 PM Eastern Standard Time
 To: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>
 Cc: [REDACTED]; Fowler, Valerie C; PA Clearances Mailbox; Gill, Ruchi Gugliani; Fogarty, Daniel J; Lavallee, Michael P; McKeeby, David I
 Subject: Re: Amb. [REDACTED] Article to be Published in Foreign Policy

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Mme. Ambassador,

Thank you so much for your answer, and not to worry; NEA is in touch with the Foreign Policy editors on this and they say FP awaits our final green light. I'm just trying to make sure we've crossed all t's and dotted all i's and that everyone who should be informed, will be.

With best regards,

Rebecca

From: [REDACTED] (mailto:[REDACTED])
 Sent: Thursday, May 22, 2014 07:06 PM Eastern Standard Time
 To: Thompson, Rebecca B (PACE)
 Cc: [REDACTED]; Fowler, Valerie C; PA Clearances Mailbox; Gill, Ruchi Gugliani; Fogarty, Daniel J; Lavallee, Michael P; McKeeby, David I
 Subject: Re: Amb. [REDACTED] Article to be Published in Foreign Policy

Hello Ms. Thompson,

I'm glad I shared the final version with you after all!

I thought I remembered answering the question about compensation at one point but the answer is no. FP did not even offer it to me since I told them at the outset I could not accept it.

Regarding the additional clearances from PA, I'm a little worried because FP has the article and, for all intents and purposes, can publish it anytime they want, based on the earlier information that State PA had cleared it. You can see from the email chain here that I was given the go-ahead on May 16 and, on that basis, I shared it with FP. I can't remember exactly when I mentioned FP earlier in this process but I think I indicated at the outset that I was aiming for a Georgetown University publication or FP. [REDACTED]

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Thank you for looking into this matter and ensuring that all proper procedures are being met. It's a learning experience for me and I don't want to make any errors. Best wishes, [REDACTED]

On Thu, May 22, 2014 at 6:08 PM, Thompson, Rebecca B (PACE)
 <ThompsonRB2@state.gov> wrote:

Dear Mme. Ambassador,

Thank you very much for letting PA know that *Foreign Policy* will publish your article.

Just to make sure we have left no stone unturned, I have run it by L (Legal Advisor Ruchi Gill is cc'd); they ask if you are receiving financial compensation for this article (I notice that you did not specify that in the original clearance request form that is attached, perhaps because you did not yet know who would publish your article). Please advise as to whether you will receive compensation.

L may also verify that my suggested disclaimer language would be correct.

Finally, since your article will appear in a domestic publication, the PA's Press Office and Spokesperson's offices must also clear it, so I will forward it to them for their clearances.

From: Miller, Lisa M on behalf of PA Clearances Mailbox
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox; EEB-A-PD-DL; Hall, Ruth M; Thurman, Stephan S
Subject: FW: Request approval by COB pls on article for Foreign Service Journal: Top 14 Current Economic Wonkisms
Date: Wednesday, December 22, 2010 5:41:33 PM

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Abigail Morales clears for PA. Thanks.

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Lisa M. Miller for "PA Clearances Mailbox"
Bureau of Public Affairs, HST, Room 6800
Special Assistant
U.S. Department of State
Tel 202-647-6197
Miller.M@state.gov

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From: [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]@state.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, December 22, 2010 3:35 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Cc: EEB-A-PD-DL; Hall, Ruth M; Thurman, Stephan S
Subject: Request approval by COB pls on article for Foreign Service Journal: Top 14 Current Economic Wonkisms

Request clearance please on the attached article for the next issue of the American Foreign Service Association's Foreign Service Journal on the attached article which has been cleared by our PDAS.

We need to get to the editor ASAP as they are going to publication this week before the holiday.

Thank you!

<< File: Top 14 Current Economic Wonkisms 20101221.docx >>

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From: PA Clearances Mailbox
 To: [REDACTED]
 Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
 Subject: RE: clearance for personal writing
 Date: Friday, June 06, 2014 1:44:41 PM

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[REDACTED]

Lois Herrmann clears for PA, as you have cleared with your supervisor and added the requested disclaimer.

Thank you

From: [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]@state.gov]
 Sent: Friday, June 06, 2014 1:02 PM
 To: PA Clearances Mailbox; PA Clearances Mailbox
 Subject: RE: clearance for personal writing

Hi – Thanks for the response – I've had my supervisor clear, added the disclaimer, and resubmitted thru the PA Clearances database (also attached to this email, w/ disclaimer added). If I could pls. get final clearance, I would greatly appreciate it. Thank you for your assistance! – J

From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:paclearances@state.gov]
 Sent: Friday, June 06, 2014 12:16 PM
 To: [REDACTED] PA Clearances Mailbox
 Subject: RE: clearance for personal writing

Dear [REDACTED]

PA is asking that you obtain your supervisor's clearance and then resubmit to PA for a final review/clearance

Additionally, per 3 FAM 4172.1-4, you will need to include a disclaimer. It can read as follows: "The views expressed in this article are solely those of the author."

Thank you for your patience

PA Clearances

From: [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]@state.gov]
 Sent: Wednesday, June 04, 2014 3:54 PM
 To: PA Clearances Mailbox
 Subject: RE: clearance for personal writing

If you could pls. advise re: the status of this clearance request, I would greatly appreciate it. Thank you.

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From: [redacted]
Sent: Tuesday, June 03, 2014 2:11 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: clearance for personal writing

Hi – Just wanted to check in on this and make sure you have all the info. needed – if you might be able to estimate when I'll hear back re: clearance, I'd greatly appreciate it – thanks again for your assistance – [redacted]

From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:padclearances@state.gov]
Sent: Friday, May 30, 2014 9:28 AM
To: [redacted]
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: clearance for personal writing

Thank you for your submission. Please provide answers to the following questions and return to PA Clearances. Once received, we will route it to the appropriate offices for clearance.

Publication Request Form

Author's Name:

Author's Title:

Bureau/Office:

Is the author writing in a private or official capacity?

Will the author receive remuneration outside of his/her State Department salary for the article?

Please Note L/Ethics will need to clear if the author will receive remuneration:

Does the author intend to use a disclaimer? If so, how will the disclaimer read?

Who else has cleared (your supervisor, others within the Department of State)?

Where does the author intend to submit the article/manuscript for publication?

Does the paper relate in any way to the author's current duties or duties he/she had over the last year?

Additional Comments by Author:

From: [redacted] L [mailto:[redacted]@state.gov]
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2014 10:52 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: clearance for personal writing

Hi – I'm seeking clearance for the attached. It is a column for an opinion research firm's blog/newsletter. It is written in my personal capacity, not in my capacity as an employee of State. It is a technical piece on evaluation/opinion research – but evaluation as it pertains to public diplomacy, so I want to submit it for clearance to be on the safe side.

Two other notes:

1. The column is not being published in my name. The column is published under the byline "the survey doctor." So nobody will know the author is a State Department employee.

2. The column that the article cites – the Public Diplomacy Impact study – has been mentioned many times in public: in the Huffington Post; in a speech by our previous U/S to a think tank; in published remarks in front of the U.S. Commission on Public Diplomacy; in numerous academic publications; etc. So it (and everything else the column mentions) is already public knowledge.

Thank you in advance for your assistance, and please let me know if I can provide any additional information.



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From: [redacted]
To: PA Clearances Mailbox; PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: Re: Questions about Bio for Upcoming ABA Publication
Date: Wednesday, May 14, 2014 10:12:19 PM

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Fantastic. Thank you!

From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:paclearances@state.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2014 09:28 PM
To: [redacted] PA Clearances Mailbox; PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Questions about Bio for Upcoming ABA Publication

Dear [redacted]

Rebecca Thompson clears for PA.

Thank you.

From: [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]@state.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2014 5:56 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox; PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Questions about Bio for Upcoming ABA Publication

Hello,

I just wanted to follow up and note that I have still been unable to upload this to the PA Clearances website. I apologize for going outside of the normal channels. Please let me know if you need anything further from me, and thanks very much for your assistance.

Best,

[redacted]

[redacted]

Attorney-Adviser, L/M
Tel: (202) 647-8042
BB: [redacted]

This email is UNCLASSIFIED.

From: [redacted]
Sent: Tuesday, May 13, 2014 10:06 AM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox; PA Clearances Mailbox
Cc: Burton, Matthew D
Subject: RE: Questions about Bio for Upcoming ABA Publication

Good morning, and apologies for the delay. Matt Burton, ALA for L/M, has cleared on this. I very

much appreciate your quick review on this, as the ABA is chomping at the bit to move ahead with publication. If I can answer any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

Thanks very much,

[redacted]

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[redacted]

Attorney-Adviser, L/M

Tel: (202) 647-8042

BB: [redacted]

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From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:pa_clearances@state.gov]
Sent: Monday, April 28, 2014 12:58 PM
To: [redacted]; PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Questions about Bio for Upcoming ABA Publication

Dear [redacted]

Thank you for your patience. After consulting with the PA Front Office, PA believes that it will need to conduct a review of the manual, as it will be published while you are working as an employee for the State Department.

Please obtain your L/M supervisor's clearance on the manual and resubmit to PA Clearances.

We will review it as quickly as possible.

Thank you.

PA Clearances

From: [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]@state.gov]
Sent: Thursday, April 24, 2014 12:49 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Questions about Bio for Upcoming ABA Publication

Thank you very much. The answers are as follows.

Name: [redacted] (L/M)

Is the author writing in an official or private capacity?: Private

Will the author receive remuneration outside of his/her State Department salary for the article? Note L/Ethics will need to clear if the author will receive remuneration: No. The work was done *pro bono* prior to receiving or accepting an offer to join the State Department, and I will not receive compensation.

Does the author intend to use a disclaimer? If so, how will the disclaimer read? Yes. As suggested by L/EFD, the disclaimer will read: "The views contained herein are Mr. [] alone and are not necessarily those of the U.S. Department of State or the United States Government."

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Where does the author intend to submit the article/manuscript for publication? Yes – publication by the ABA is planned.

Does the paper relate in any way to the author's current duties or duties he/she had over the last year? To the extent that the work discusses broad principles of fair trial rights under international law, yes. However, none of the material relates to my precise duties in L/M.

A copy of the manuscript is attached again here for convenience. Please let me know if you have any further questions.

Best,

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Attorney-Adviser, L/M,
(202) 647-8042

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From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:paclearances@state.gov]
Sent: Thursday, April 24, 2014 12:19 PM
To: []
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Questions about Bio for Upcoming ABA Publication

Hi []

Thank you for your submission. Can you please provide answers to the following questions and return to PA Clearances? Once received, we will route it to the appropriate offices for clearance.

Thank you.

PA Clearances

Name:

Is the author writing in an official or private capacity?:

Will the author receive remuneration outside of his/her State Department salary for the article?

Note L/Ethics will need to clear if the author will receive remuneration:

Does the author intend to use a disclaimer? If so, how will the disclaimer read?

Where does the author intend to submit the article/manuscript for publication?

Does the paper relate in any way to the author's current duties or duties he/she had over the last year?

From: [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]@state.gov]
Sent: Thursday, April 24, 2014 10:59 AM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: FW: Questions about Bio for Upcoming ABA Publication

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Good morning,

My name is [redacted] and I am a new attorney in L/M. Ruchi Gill from L/EFD suggested that I contact you regarding the upcoming publication by the ABA of a book that I prepared as part of a *pro bono* engagement at my [redacted]. I have attached the latest proof copy for your review, and have also included below my correspondence with L/EFD [redacted]

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Please let me know if you have any questions, and thank you for your assistance. I will await your feedback before getting back to the ABA.

Best,

[redacted]

P.S. I apologize for not using the online portal, but I was not able to open it on my machine

[redacted]
Attorney-Adviser, L/M
(202) 647-8042

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, April 23, 2014 1:51 PM
To: Gill, Ruchi Gugliani
Cc: Wall, Amanda J; Ethics Attorney Mailbox
Subject: RE: Questions about Bio for Upcoming ABA Publication

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Thanks very much, Ruchi.

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Thanks again for your assistance,

[REDACTED]

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From: Gill, Ruchi Gugliani
Sent: Wednesday, April 23, 2014 1:28 PM
To: Gill, Ruchi Gugliani; [REDACTED]
Cc: Wall, Amanda J; Ethics Attorney Mailbox

Subject: RE: Questions about Bio for Upcoming ABA Publication

[Redacted]

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Thanks!

From: Gill, Ruchi Gugliani
Sent: Wednesday, April 23, 2014 1:27 PM
To: [Redacted]
Cc: Wall, Amanda J; Ethics Attorney Mailbox
Subject: RE: Questions about Bio for Upcoming ABA Publication

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Let me know if you have any other questions

Best,
Ruchi

From: [Redacted]
Sent: Wednesday, April 23, 2014 11:12 AM
To: Gill, Ruchi Gugliani
Cc: Wall, Amanda J
Subject: FW: Questions about Bio for Upcoming ABA Publication

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Dear Ruchi and Amanda,

[Redacted]

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Please let me know how I should handle this, and thanks!

Best,

[redacted]

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This email is UNCLASSIFIED.

From: Reddy, Mary T
Sent: Wednesday, April 23, 2014 10:21 AM
To: [redacted]
Subject: RE: Questions about Bio for Upcoming ABA Publication

Hi [redacted] Best, Mary

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This email is UNCLASSIFIED.

From: [redacted]
Sent: Wednesday, April 23, 2014 9:30 AM
To: Reddy, Mary T
Subject: Questions about Bio for Upcoming ABA Publication

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Hi Mary,

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Thanks very much,

[redacted]

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From: [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: Tuesday, April 22, 2014 6:31 PM

To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Fwd: Name

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Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Hale, Kip" <[REDACTED]>
Date: April 22, 2014, 6:24:58 PM EDT
To: <[REDACTED]>
Subject: Name

How do you want your name to appear as editor, precisely?

Also, please give me a short bio.

Best,

Christopher "Kip" Hale, Esq.
Senior Counsel
American Bar Association Center for Human Rights
1050 Connecticut Ave NW Suite 400
Washington, DC 20036
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Fax: (202) 662-1031
E-mail: [REDACTED]
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From: PA Clearances Mailbox
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: Publication Review: Four Waves of Lebanese Feminism
Date: Thursday, November 13, 2014 7:00:03 AM
Attachments: Four Waves of Lebanese Feminism Final Edits.docx

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Dear [REDACTED]

The Department has completed the review of your request pursuant to 3 FAM 4170 and determined that you may proceed, provided that you include the disclaimer required for personal capacity public communications (see 3 FAM 4172.1-4), that the views expressed in this article are those of the author and do not necessarily represent the views of the U.S. Department of State or the U.S. Government.

We have also included some minor tracked edits for your consideration.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Thank you,
PA Clearances

From: Ellis, Brinille E
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Clearance Status for - (*U.S.-Swedish Economic and Cult*)
Date: Friday, January 31, 2014 3:46:25 PM

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Thanks. Mystery solved...Unfortunately, your email went to my junk folders box. Thanks again for your prompt reply. Warm regards.

Brinille Eliane Ellis
Public Diplomacy Desk Officer
Office of Nordic and Baltic Affairs, Rm. 5428
Office: (202) 647-8606
BB:
Email: Ellisbe2@state.gov

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This email is UNCLASSIFIED.

From: PA Clearances Group [mailto:paclearances@state.gov]
Sent: Thursday, January 30, 2014 10:53 AM
To: EUR-PD-DESK OFFICERS-DL
Cc: EUR-PD-DESK OFFICERS-DL
Subject: Clearance Status for - (*U.S.-Swedish Economic and Cult*)

Clearance Request Resolution

Clearance Request Title: (*U.S.-Swedish Economic and Cult*)

Clearance Request Submitter: EUR/PD, Desk Officers

This Request has been Approved.

Approved with Caveat:

Thompson, Rebecca B (PACE) - :
Please inform EB/A/PD. Thanks.

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From: PA Clearances Mailbox
To: [redacted]
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Clearance Status for - (*West Point draft paper: North *)
Date: Friday, January 17, 2014 1:07:54 PM

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Awesome! Thank you, [redacted]

From: [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]@state.gov]
Sent: Friday, January 17, 2014 1:06 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Clearance Status for - (*West Point draft paper: North *)

PA Clearances,

Yes, my supervisor, [redacted] has cleared.

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Thank you for reviewing the document.

[redacted]

From: PA Clearances Group [mailto:paclearances@state.gov]
Sent: Friday, January 17, 2014 12:12 PM
To: [redacted]
Cc: [redacted]
Subject: Clearance Status for - (*West Point draft paper: North *)

Clearance Request Resolution

Clearance Request Title: (*West Point draft paper: North *)

Clearance Request Submitter: [redacted]

This Request has been Approved.

Approved with Caveat:

Fowler, Valerie C - :
clear provided his supervisor has cleared (indicated in the form but not in the above template). was not reading for typos but have tracked two typos.

Please click this link to view the attachments with edits

From: PA Clearances Mailbox
To: [redacted]; PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: PA clearance request - new submission -- "Ukraine's Balcerowicz Moment"
Date: Friday, June 06, 2014 2:37:08 PM

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Dear Mr. [redacted]:

PA clears your article for publication.

Thank you for your patience.

Sincerely,

PA Clearances

-----Original Message-----

From: [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: Tuesday, May 27, 2014 1:41 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: PA clearance request - new submission -- "Ukraine's Balcerowicz Moment"

Dear PA clearances --

I have a new piece to submit for clearance. It is attached. I have tried to enter the database but am unable to do so. Seems to be blocked.

Would appreciate clearance on the attached. Would be very helpful if this could be cleared quickly, in two days, since it is topical.

Please advise on whether I can submit this way since the database portal seems unavailable to me.

Thanks very much,

[redacted]

From: PA Clearances Mailbox
To: Ishmael, Michael L; Gill, Ruchi Gugliani
Cc: Smith, Janice A; Thomas, Barry D; PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Evaluation Submission
Date: Tuesday, June 03, 2014 8:23:13 AM

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Sure, Michael. Thank you all!

From: Ishmael, Michael L [mailto:IshmaelML@state.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, June 03, 2014 8:20 AM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox; Gill, Ruchi Gugliani
Cc: Smith, Janice A; Thomas, Barry D; PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Evaluation Submission

Thank You!

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From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:pa_clearances@state.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, June 03, 2014 8:20 AM
To: Ishmael, Michael L; Gill, Ruchi Gugliani
Cc: Smith, Janice A; Thomas, Barry D; PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Evaluation Submission

Michael,

PA/PL Director Rainy Young clears [redacted] to participate as a speaker at the American Institute of Architects Convention on June 27. PA/PL Lois Herrmann clears the presentation with Ruchi's (L/PD) recommendation for the speaker to add a Disclaimer: "The views in this presentation do not necessarily represent those of the US State Department or the US Government."

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Thank you,
PA Clearances

From: Ishmael, Michael L [mailto:IshmaelML@state.gov]
Sent: Monday, June 02, 2014 3:01 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox; Gill, Ruchi Gugliani
Cc: Smith, Janice A; Herrmann, Lois M (PACE); PA Clearances Mailbox; Thomas, Barry D
Subject: RE: Evaluation Submission

OK---it might be easier to do this by phone.

If that doesn't work, Barry Thomas is the Division Chief for A\EX\CSM. There has been a complete turn-over of FTE personnel within A\CSM-A\EX\CSM, Barry was not on-board as the Division Chief at the time of the evaluation. The previous Division Chief had already accepted another position with A/OPE prior to the evaluation being completed; the individual who was Acting Division Chief when the evaluation was completed has also moved onto A/OPE.

When I submitted this for clearance, initially back on March 20, 2014 I was still a member of A/EX/CSM and a former member of A/CSM. I had cleared on the briefing along with Janice Smith prior to submitting.

My phone number if you would like to discuss is 202 634 3762

Regards,
Mike

Michael Ishmael
Chief, Performance Management Division (Acting)
IRM/BMP/GRP/PFM.
SA9|Suite 6116-B|Washington, DC 20006
office: 202.634.3762|bb[REDACTED]

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From: PA Clearances Mailbox [<mailto:paclearances@state.gov>]
Sent: Monday, June 02, 2014 10:28 AM
To: Ishmael, Michael L; Gill, Ruchi Gugliani
Cc: Smith, Janice A; Herrmann, Lois M (PACE); PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Evaluation Submission

Thank you, Michael! The office that contracted with [REDACTED] A/EX/CSM, are they aware of this engagement? Please let us know the name of the person who clears for A/EX/CSM.

From: Ishmael, Michael L [<mailto:IshmaelML@state.gov>]
Sent: Monday, June 02, 2014 10:11 AM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox; Gill, Ruchi Gugliani
Cc: Smith, Janice A; Herrmann, Lois M (PACE); PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Evaluation Submission

My former office, A/CSM, now A/EX/CSM was the office that contracted with Prime contractor, and I was the COR on the project.

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From: PA Clearances Mailbox [<mailto:paclearances@state.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2014 2:58 PM
To: Ishmael, Michael L; Gill, Ruchi Gugliani

Cc: Smith, Janice A; Herrmann, Lois M (PACE); PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Evaluation Submission

To clarify – Janice, was it your office that contract with him for this project? If not, can you identify with us which office contracted with him?

From: Ishmael, Michael L [<mailto:IshmaelML@state.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2014 2:20 PM
To: Gill, Ruchi Gugliani; PA Clearances Mailbox
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox; Smith, Janice A; Herrmann, Lois M (PACE)
Subject: RE: Evaluation Submission



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From: Gill, Ruchi Gugliani
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2014 2:16 PM
To: Ishmael, Michael L; PA Clearances Mailbox
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox; Smith, Janice A; Herrmann, Lois M (PACE)
Subject: RE: Evaluation Submission



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Thanks,
Ruchi

Ruchi Gugliani Gill
Attorney-Adviser
Office of the Legal Adviser (L/PD)
U.S. Department of State
(202) 632-6473

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From: Ishmael, Michael L

Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2014 2:03 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox; Gill, Ruchi Gugliani; Smith, Janice A
Subject: RE: Evaluation Submission

Clarification points:

- 1) The individual was never an employee of DOS;
- 2) The individual worked as a contractor on one project for DOS;
- 3) The individual is part of a professional organization that is putting on an annual conference and he is going to present to other members at the conference;
- 4) Janice Smith, Director of Facilities Management Services, the organization that the report is based on----has cleared on the report and is copied on this email; and
- 5) This has nothing to do with IRM---I worked in the A Bureau prior to transferring into IRM 6 weeks ago. The project was sponsored by A/CSM which is now A/EX/CSM.

Best Regards,
Mike

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From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:pa_clearances@state.gov]
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2014 12:13 PM
To: Ishmael, Michael L
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox; Gill, Ruchi Gugliani
Subject: RE: Evaluation Submission

Michael,

To clarify, This person is no longer a State Department employee but wants to talk about a project they worked on for State? IRM or the office [redacted] worked for should at least indicate clearance before we even consider this. Looping in L/PD as well. Thank you.

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From: Ishmael, Michael L [mailto:IshmaelML@state.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, May 28, 2014 4:42 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Evaluation Submission

This person was a contractor on a one time evaluation

He is not speaking on behalf of the DOS.

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From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:padclearances@state.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, May 28, 2014 4:08 PM
To: Ishmael, Michael L
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Evaluation Submission

Michael:

Is this person a State Department contractor? Is he speaking on behalf of the State Department?

Any additional information you can provide is appreciated.

Thank you

From: Ishmael, Michael L [mailto:IshmaelML@state.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, May 28, 2014 2:39 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Evaluation Submission

The presentation is attached and the questions answered per the email, below

Speaking Request Form

Speaker's Name, Title, and Office Symbol: --not an employee of the DOS.

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Date of Event: Friday June 27, 2014

Venue Name, City and State: McCormick Place, Chicago, IL

Group/Organization Sponsoring the Event: American Institute of Architects Convention

Subject of Discussion: Meeting Expectations: A Post-Occupancy Evaluation of Energy Performance in 14 Government Buildings

Format: PowerPoint/Discussion

Audience (Number of Expected Attendees and Demographics): Could be hundreds of Architects from around the country.

Media: N/A

Attribution (on-the-record, off-the-record, background): On-the-record

Clearances: None as of yet.

Is the participant/interviewee being compensated outside of his/her DOS salary for the event?

This individual is not a DOS employee.

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From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:pa_clearances@state.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, May 28, 2014 1:18 PM
To: Ishmael, Michael L
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Evaluation Submission

Michael – Did you try to submit the clearance request via the PA Clearances Database? The system has been offline for some time now. Please fill out the form below and we will route it to the appropriate PA offices for clearance. If you have a copy of your original request sent to PA Clearances, please provide that as well. Also, depending on the subject of the presentation, have you received clearance from the appropriate regional and or functional PA bureaus? Thank you.

Speaking Request Form

Speaker's Name, Title, and Office Symbol:

Date of Event:

Venue Name, City and State:

Group/Organization Sponsoring the Event:

Subject of Discussion:

Format:

Audience (Number of Expected Attendees and Demographics):

Media:

Attribution (on-the-record, off-the-record, background):

Clearances:

Is the participant/interviewee being compensated outside of his/her DOS salary for the event?

From: Ishmael, Michael L
Sent: Wednesday, May 28, 2014 8:19 AM
To: PA FO Group
Subject: Evaluation Submission

To whom it may concern,

Good morning! I submitted a presentation for clearance on/around March 20th of this year and have not heard whether it has been cleared or not.

Can you provide an update at your earliest convenience?

Thanks,
Mike

Michael Ishmael
Management and Program Analyst
IRM/BMP/GRP/PFM
SA9|Suite 6116-B|Washington, DC 20006
office: 202.634.3762|bb:

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From: [redacted]
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Cc: Stana, Katie; PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Internship Journal Entry Review
Date: Friday, June 20, 2014 3:24:29 PM

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Thank you for your quick turnaround! I included a disclaimer as required per 3 FAM 4172.1-4.

Kind regards,

[redacted]

From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:paclearances@state.gov]
Sent: Friday, June 20, 2014 3:05 PM
To: [redacted]
Cc: Stana, Katie; PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: Internship Journal Entry Review

[redacted]

PA and M/DGHR have completed its review of your request (first of three journal entries) pursuant to 3 FAM 4170 and determined that you may proceed, provided that you include the disclaimer required for personal capacity public communications (see 3 FAM 4172:1-4). Suggested minor edits are recommended by M/DHGR (in the attached), in which PA supports. Please let us know if you have any questions. We will close the database record.

Thank you,

PA Clearances

From: PA Clearances Mailbox
 To: [redacted] PA Clearances Mailbox; PA Clearances Mailbox
 Subject: RE: please review for public release >> intro chapter "NATO: from Regional to Global Security Provider"
 Date: Friday, November 28, 2014 1:59:07 PM

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Dear [redacted]

The Department has completed the review of your request pursuant to 3 FAM 4170 and determined that you may proceed, provided that you include the disclaimer required for personal capacity public communications (see 3 FAM 4172.1-4).

We are suggesting the following minor edits to your disclaimer:

"The opinions expressed herein are the author's alone and do not necessarily reflect the views of the U.S. Department of State, ~~nor~~ or the United States government."

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

PA Clearances

From: [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]@state.gov]
 Sent: Friday, November 28, 2014 12:20 PM
 To: PA Clearances Mailbox; PA Clearances Mailbox
 Subject: please review for public release >> intro chapter "NATO: from Regional to Global Security Provider"

Dear PA colleagues: Following are answers to your questions in bold, thanks!

- What is the author's first and last name, current job title and office symbol? [redacted]
 [redacted] Foreign Affairs Officer, EUR/RPM
- Is the author writing in his/her private capacity or official capacity? **Private**
- Will the author receive remuneration outside of his/her Department of State salary for the article? **No**
- Does the author intend to use a disclaimer? If so, how will the disclaimer read? **Yes**,
 "the opinions expressed herein are the author's alone and do not reflect the views of the U.S. Department of State, nor the United States government."
- Who else has cleared (your supervisor, others within the Department of State)? Please see below

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|----------|----------------------------------------|------|
| Drafted: | EUR/RPM: [redacted] | |
| Cleared: | EUR/RPM: Yuri Kim (my Office Director) | - ok |
| | EUR/RPM: Amy Carlon (my Supervisor) | - ok |
| | EUR/RPM: David McCormick | - ok |
| | Embassy Berlin: Carrie Shirtz | - ok |
| | Embassy Tel Aviv: Leslie Ordeman | - ok |
| | IO/PSC: Raffi Gregorian | - ok |
| | EUR/PRA: Michael Ziemke | - ok |
| | EUR/WE: Georgiana Cavendish | - ok |

- Where does the author intend to submit the article/manuscript for publication? **To Lexington Books.**
- Does the paper relate in any way to the author's current duties or duties he/she had over

the last year? Yes

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From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:paclearances@state.gov]
Sent: Friday, November 28, 2014 12:11 PM
To: [redacted] PA Clearances Mailbox
Cc: Novak, Nicholas R; Carlon, Amy C
Subject: RE: please review for public release >> intro chapter "NATO: from Regional to Global Security Provider"

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Please provide the information below and send back to us.

Thank you

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**QUESTIONS TO ASK AUTHORS WHO WISH TO HAVE MANUSCRIPTS
PUBLISHED**

- What is the author's first and last name, current job title and office symbol?
- Is the author writing in his/her private capacity or official capacity?
- Will the author receive remuneration outside of his/her Department of State salary for the article? Note L/Ethics will need to clear if you will receive remuneration.
- Does the author intend to use a disclaimer? If so, how will the disclaimer read?
- Who else has cleared (your supervisor, others within the Department of State)?
- Where does the author intend to submit the article/manuscript for publication?
- Does the paper relate in any way to the author's current duties or duties he/she had over the last year?

From: [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]@state.gov]
Sent: Friday, November 28, 2014 12:05 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Cc: Novak, Nicholas R; Carlon, Amy C
Subject: please review for public release >> intro chapter "NATO: from Regional to Global Security Provider"

Dear PA colleagues: Could you please review/clear for publication the attached opening chapter to a NATO-related book, when you have a chance?

Drafted: EUR/RPM: [redacted]
Cleared: EUR/RPM: Yuri Kim - ok
EUR/RPM: Amy Carlon - ok
EUR/RPM: David McCormick - ok

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| Embassy Berlin: Carrie Shirtz | - ok |
| Embassy Tel Aviv: Leslie Ordeman | - ok |
| IO/PSC: Raffi Gregorian | - ok |
| EUR/PRA: Michael Ziemke | - ok |
| EUR/WE: Georgiana Cavendish | - ok |

This is the opening overview chapter for a NATO book project that the EUR/FO has approved my participation in a few years back (note: I have also had a legal review and receive no monetary compensation for this project, which was done in my personal capacity). The book (see attached flyer) is now near the point of publication by Lexington books.

[please also note: all State-drafted chapters have been submitted to your office for clearance and cleared for public release previously by State/PA]

Thanks, in advance, for your assistance.

Regards,

[Redacted Signature]

[Redacted Name]

Foreign Affairs Officer
Department of State
Office of European Security & Political Affairs
EUR/RPM, HST 6229
Phone: 202/647-0282
Fax: 202/647-1369

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From: [redacted]
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Cc: Thompson, Rebecca B (PACE)
Subject: RE: Revised manuscript with tracked changes
Date: Wednesday, May 14, 2014 2:31:29 PM

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Thanks to all of you for your assistance.

[redacted]

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-----Original Message-----

From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:paclearances@state.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2014 1:38 PM
To: [redacted]
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox; Thompson, Rebecca B (PACE)
Subject: RE: Revised manuscript with tracked changes

Dear [redacted]

PA, PM, DRL, AF, EAP and EUR Bureau have examined this document and have found that it does not violate the PA-specific guidelines for employees stated in 3 FAM 4170 -- related to review of materials of official concern prepared in an employee's private capacity -- provided the disclaimer is included. Clearance list is provided below. Please see comment from L/Ethics Amanda Wall.

[redacted]

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If the author wishes to promote the book or do any public events, let us know so we can provide ethics guidance at that time". - Amanda Wall

Thank you,
PA Clearances

PA: R. Thompson
PM: D. McKeeby
DRL/IRF: D. Nadel
DRL/PPD: C. Jackson
AF: L. Cowher
EAP/MLS: M. Mandojana
EAP/MTS: G. Wiegand
EAP/CM: G. May
EUR/RUS: M. Tetrick
EUR/CE: R. Hinman
EUR/WE: S. Carey
L/Ethics: A. Wall

-----Original Message-----

From: [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: Friday, May 09, 2014 3:05 PM
To: Thompson, Rebecca B (PACE)
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox; Laine, Andrew J (PACE)
Subject: RE: Revised manuscript with tracked changes

Hi Rebecca:

PM just asked me if L has cleared. Can you tell me anything about that?

Thanks, [redacted]

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-----Original Message-----

From: Thompson, Rebecca B (PACE) [mailto:ThompsonRB2@state.gov]

Sent: Friday, May 09, 2014 2:23 PM

To: [redacted]

Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox; Laine, Andrew J (PACE)

Subject: RE: Revised manuscript with tracked changes

Dear [redacted]

[redacted] I dear for PA. You may tell the other clearers that PA has cleared as long as others also clear, which I hope will move those clearances along for you.

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Best regards,

Rebecca

-----Original Message-----

From: [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]]

Sent: Monday, May 05, 2014 4:03 PM

To: Thompson, Rebecca B (PACE)

Subject: Revised manuscript with tracked changes

Hi Rebecca:

I sent the attached revised manuscript to PA for clearance last week. [redacted]

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If you have any additional insights, I would be pleased to address them.

Thanks again for your inputs and work on the clearance.

Best regards,

[redacted]

PS: This version contains one or two minor changes not in the revised version sent to PA.

[redacted]
Foreign Policy Advisor, OSD/SOLIC

The Pentagon, Room 5E368

Office: [redacted]

Fax: 703-697-5355

NIPR email: [redacted] SIPR email: [redacted]

From: [redacted]
 To: PA Clearances Mailbox
 Subject: RE: Clearance status: [redacted] - Rebalance to Asia
 Date: Thursday, May 22, 2014 10:44:43 AM

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Will make all changes and thank you, [redacted]

From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:paclearances@state.gov]
 Sent: Wednesday, May 21, 2014 11:22 AM
 To: [redacted]
 Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
 Subject: RE: Clearance status: [redacted] - Rebalance to Asia

[redacted]

PA/FO Rebecca Thompson clears for PA, with the caveat that the author add more biographical details to the byline if he wants to note his State Department affiliation, per 5 CFR 2635.807. EAP has provided some comments and suggested edits marked in the attached text, for your consideration.

Thank you,
 PA Clearances

From: [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]@state.gov]
 Sent: Friday, May 16, 2014 8:10 AM
 To: PA Clearances Mailbox; PA Clearances Mailbox
 Subject: RE: Clearance status: [redacted] - Rebalance to Asia

I have received a second request from the editor of the Army War College Journal for my article.

Please advise on ETA for PA clearance.

Thanks, [redacted]

From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:paclearances@state.gov]
 Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2014 10:00 PM
 To: [redacted] PA Clearances Mailbox
 Subject: RE: Clearance status: [redacted] - Rebalance to Asia

Dear Mr. [redacted]:

Thank you for your e-mail and your patience. Your article is still under review and we will get back to you shortly.

Sincerely,

PA Clearances

From: [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]@state.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 06, 2014 3:57 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: Clearance status: [redacted] - Rebalance to Asia

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Please advise on PA clearance for the subject article submitted in early April.

The Army War College Journal is going to press in June.

Thanks so much, [redacted]